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1. Amendment Transmittal; and

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Please consider the following amendments and remarks provided in the response to the Office Action mailed July 5, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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